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To whom it may concern,

I am writing this letter to state my opinion of the proposed merger between XM Satellite Radio Holdings Inc. and Sirius Satellite Radio Inc., which was announced on February 19th, 2007.

I have been a continuous subscriber of XM Satellite Radio since March 11th, 2003 and a subscriber of Sirius Satellite Radio from May 15th to November 30th of 2005, needless to say that I favor XM far better than Sirius. With that being said, the point of this letter is to state that at this time, I remain neutral on this merger issue until further bonafide details are given by both XM and Sirius as to what would exactly happen should the merger pass. And as of this writing, neither XM nor Sirius provided enough details on such.

With this merger, I see a few upsides with respect to additional news and talk programming plus all the sports broadcasts all in one service. But there are downsides to this merger proposal, referring to which direction the music programming would turn should the merger happen. And this reason alone is a cause for my innate belief that the merger should not pass, knowing that in reality, Sirius is purchasing XM radio, and having been involved in the short side of a merger before, the direction of the merged/bought company more often than not goes in the direction of the buyer, and in this case this would be Sirius. And like I have previously stated, I do not favor Sirius in any matter.

So in conclusion, there are still questions that need to be answered before any outcome is determined. But since it is my understanding that the FCC once required the satellite radio companies to produce an interoperable receiver, a requirement this time around should be that an interoperable receiver be on the market, with or without the merger.

I greatly appreciate you taking the time out of your busy schedule to read my letter; I hope this will take things in a related matter to further consideration.

Regards,
Jason Warner